

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

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Welcome to Ss. Peter and Paul's Church of Bayonne, N.J. Our church was founded in 1922 and is a parish of the Orthodox Church in America. We hope that you enjoyed your visit today and, if you are searching for a new spiritual home, we would love for you to become a member of our parish family. To our parishioners here today, thank you for your ongoing participation in our church's worship and ministry.

August 12, 2018 – 11th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 2)

Today's Saints

Afterfeast of Holy Transfiguration. Martyrs Anicetus and Photius of Nicomedia; St. Maximus the Confessor [transferred from Aug. 13]; Hieromartyr Alexander, Bishop of Comana; Martyrs Pamphilus and Capiton; Martyrs Hilaria, Digna, Euprepia, Eunomia, Quiriacus, Largio, Crescentian, Nimmia, Juliana and Companions; Martyrs Gracilian and Felicissima; St. Cassian, Bishop of Benevento; St. Eusebius, Bishop of Milan; St. Herculanus, Bishop of Brescia; Monk-martyr Porcarius, Abbot of Lérins, and 500 Companions; St. Justus, Hermit of Cornwall; St. Janbert, Archbishop of Canterbury

Today's Services

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Today's Divine Liturgy Variables

See Bulletin Insert for today's Bible readings and other Liturgy variables.

Announcements & Events

- Fragrant Herbs and Flowers shall be blessed at Divine Liturgy on August 15th for the feast of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary.
- All parishioners ought to go to confession during the Virgin Mary's Fast. Confessions may be heard after any Vespers during the month of August or call the Rectory for an appointment.
- Fr. Sophrony shall be away Aug. 16-25, 2018. A substitute priest will celebrate Liturgy at 9:30 AM on Sunday, Aug. 19, 2018. Emergencies during Fr. Sophrony's absence should be directed to Fr. John Fencik at (201) 436-5549 or (201) 779-6604.

Upcoming Services

August 14-15, 2018 (Holy Dormition)

6:00 PM (Tuesday) – Great Vespers w. Lity

9:00 AM (Wednesday) – Divine Liturgy

August 19, 2018 (Next Weekend)

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

St. Porcarius was Abbot of Lérins (now known as Île de Saint-Honorat, as the abbey was founded by St. Honoratus of Arles), off the coast of Provence in France. The whole monastery of five hundred monks -- except the youngest members whom the abbot had sent away to safety -- were massacred by the Saracens. Around the year 732, St. Porcarius was warned by an angel in a vision that the abbey was about to be attacked by barbarians. Immediately, the abbot heeded the warning and sent off to safety by ship all the young students at the abbey and 36 of the younger monks. When the ship left fully loaded, he began preparing the rest of the community for death and prayed with them for courage. The community was attacked by the Saracens, probably Moors from Spain or North Africa, and were massacred, except four who were taken into slavery.

Divine Liturgy Variables for August 12, 2018 / Tone 2

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE TWO

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: // “O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!”

TROPARION OF TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE SEVEN

Thou wast transfigured on the mountain, O Christ God, revealing Thy glory to Thy Disciples as far as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting Light also shine upon us sinners, through the prayers of the Theotokos! // O Giver of Light, glory to Thee!

TROPARION OF MARTYRS ANICETUS & PHOTIUS IN TONE FOUR

Thy holy martyrs Anicetus and Photius, O Lord, through their sufferings have received incorruptible crowns from Thee, our God. For having Thy strength, they laid low their adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. // Through their intercessions, save our souls!

TROPARION OF ST. MAXIMUS IN TONE EIGHT

Champion of Orthodoxy, teacher of purity and of true worship, enlightener of the universe and the adornment of the hierarchs: all-wise Father Maximus, thy teachings have gleamed with light upon all things. // Intercede before Christ God to save our souls!

- *Now sing the troparion of Ss. Peter and Paul*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE TWO

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with Thee, // and the world, my Savior, praises Thee forever.

- *Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

FEASTAL KONTAKION IN TONE SEVEN

On the mountain Thou wast transfigured, O Christ God, and Thy Disciples beheld Thy glory as far as they could see it; so that when they should behold Thee crucified, they would understand that Thy suffering was voluntary, and would proclaim to the world // that Thou art truly the Radiance of the Father.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE TWO

The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation.
v. The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death.
Prokeimenon in Tone Four: O Lord, how manifold art Thy works; in wisdom hast Thou made them all!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (9:2-12)

Brethren: If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. My defense to those who examine me is this: Do we have no right to eat and drink? Do we have no right to take along a believing wife, as do also the other apostles, the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working? Whoever goes to war at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its fruit? Or who tends a flock and does not drink of the milk of the flock? Do I say these things as a mere man? Or does not the law say the same also? For it is written in the law of Moses, “You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain.” Is it oxen God is concerned about? Or does He say it altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, this is written, that he who plows should plow in hope, and he who threshes in hope should be partaker of his hope. If we have sown spiritual things for you, is it a great thing if we reap your material things? If others are partakers of this right over you, are we not even more? Nevertheless, we have not used this right, but endure all things lest we hinder the gospel of Christ.

ALLELUIA IN TONE TWO

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
v. May the Lord hear thee in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect thee!
v. Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!
v. The heavens art Thine; the earth also is Thine.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (18:23-35)

Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, 'Pay me what you owe!' So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?' And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."

FESTAL MEGALYNARION

Magnify, O my soul, the Lord Who was transfigured on Mount Tabor!

Thy childbearing was without corruption; God came forth from thy body clothed in flesh, and appeared on earth and dwelt among men. // Therefore, we all magnify thee, O Theotokos.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! O Lord, we will walk in the light of Thy countenance, and will exult in Thy name forever. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!